



THIRD DISTRICT NEWS

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Larry D. McCoy, Commander

From the Commander's Desk

I welcome your ideas and input on how the officers of the Third District can provide quality police services and on how we can work together most effectively. Please do not hesitate to call upon me -- or any member of 3D—if we can be of assistance.

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Upcoming Events

Anti-Loitering and Drug Free Zone Initiative

The Anti-Loitering/Drug Free Zone Act of 1996 allows the Chief of Police to declare a specific area as a drug free zone based on various factors, including a disproportionately high number of drug arrests within the past six months or any number of drug-related homicides within the area. Under the law, the MPD is required to post information detailing the boundaries of the drug free zone, the effective dates of the designation and the specific activities that are prohibited.

While a drug free zone is in effect, it is unlawful for a group of two or more persons to congregate in a public space or property within that area for the purpose of selling, purchasing or using illegal drugs. Persons in violation of the law first will be warned by a police officer that they are in a drug free zone and will be directed to disperse and depart the area. Failure to obey the officer's instruction will result in arrest, without a second warning. Offenders convicted under the law are subject to a fine of up to \$300, imprisonment for up to 180 days, or both.

The following PSA's have had a Drug Free Zone Event(s):

1. PSA 302, 1300-1400 Block of Fairmont Street, NW
2. PSA 303, 1st Street and Adams Street, NW
3. PSA 306, 13-15th/V-W Street, NW
4. PSA 306, 9-11/V-W Street, NW (This location was repeated for 2 months)
5. PSA 311, 1500-1600 Block of 7th Street, NW
6. PSA 312/314, Unit Block of O Street, NW

To find out if your PSA will have a Drug Free Zone Event contact the commander's office at 202-673-6820.

40 Days of Life and Respect

As part of an ongoing partnership to reduce youth violence in neighborhoods, the Metropolitan Police Department, Regional Operations Command-East, and the East of the River Clergy-Police-Community Partnership (CPCP) will hold their second annual "40 Days of Increased Peace" this summer – a series of daily events in the police districts designed for young people and their families.

PSA 301
LT Gottert
Date: 7/30/03
Location: Kalorama Park
Time: 6-8 PM

LT Hilton
Date: 8/8/03
Location: 13th and Euclid
Time: 2 PM

PSA 302
LT Hilton
Date: 8/2/03
Location: 16th and Gerard
Time: 6 PM

PSA 312
LT Dennis
Date: 8/4/03
Time: 11 AM-2 PM
Location: 100 Block of Randolph PL

PSA 304
LT Gottert
Date: 8/7/03
Location: Third District Station
Time: 6 PM

PSA 314
LT West
Date: 8/9/03
Time: 12 Noon
Location: New Jersey and O Street

PSA 305

National Night Out

National Night Out is an annual event, sponsored by the National Association of Town Watch, that takes place on the first Tuesday in August. Each year, the Metropolitan Police Department actively participates in National Night Out by rallying community members throughout the District of Columbia to join with neighbors and police officers in their PSAs to be a part of this annual event.

PSA 301/304
LT Gottert
Date: 8/5/03
Time: 6 PM

Location: 18th and Columbia

PSA 302/305

LT Hilton

Date: 8/5/03

Time: 4 PM

Location: 1400 Block Euclid

PSA 303

LT Delisi

Date: 8/5/03

Time: 3 PM

Location: 2400 Block of Georgia Ave

PSA 306

LT Durand

Date: 8/5/03

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: 9th and U Street

PSA 307

LT Weeks

Date: 8/5/03

Time: 4 PM

Location: 21 and O Street

PSA 308

LT Hill

Date: 8/5/03

Time: 7:30 PM

Location: Dupont Circle Resource Center

PSA 309

LT Groomes

Date: 8/5/03

Time: 7 PM

Location: 1700 Block Johnson Ave NW

PSA 310

LT Dykes

Date: 8/5/03

Time: 4 PM

Location: Logan Circle

PSA 311

LT Neal

Date: 8/5/03

Time: 8 PM

Location: 7th and Rhode Island Ave NW

PSA 312

LT Dennis

Date: 8/5/03

Time: 6 PM

Location: 1700 Block First Street NW

PSA 313

LT Smith

Date: 8/5/03

Time: 6 PM

Location: Logan Circle

PSA 314

LT West

Date: 8/5/03

Time: 6 PM

Location: New Jersey and O Street

Safe Kids Day

Third District's PSA 305 is having its 2nd annual Safe Kids Day to provide information and screenings for kids. There will a bike raffle and other activities.

- Free Food
- Free child seat checks
- Information booths
- Free bicycle helmets (must bring bike)
- Much more

Date: Saturday August 2, 2003

Time: 12-4 PM

Location: #10 Boys and Girls Club, 2500 14th Street NW

For more information contact: Sgt. Darrell Brown 202-673-6927

Third District Open House

Metropolitan Police Department Third District is having an Open House to showcase specialized vehicles, equipment, and meetings with 3D officials.

Date: August 30, 2003

Time: 10 AM-6 PM

Location: 1620 V Street NW

Since the commander no longer has a budget to cover associated costs for moon bounce, clowns, food, etc. anyone interested in obtaining these items or services for Third District would be greatly appreciated and may be coordinated with personnel in the commander's office at 202-673-6820. Thank you very much for your support and hope to see you at the open house.

Hoopin for Hope

Metropolitan Police Department in cooperation with Neighborhood Services, Jubilee Housing, Good Shepherd Ministries, Lazarus House Church, Hoops Sagrado, and Hoopin in the Hood presents a four week basketball event starting July 18-August 8, 2003 at 16th and Euclid NW starting at 7 PM to 9 PM. The opening night had over 50 kids. Residents came out to cheer the event whether they had kids or not. For twenty minutes MPD played against DCFD. Katie Davis the coordinator has done an excellent job. For more information contact Neighborhood Services at 202-671-2338.

Noteworthy Arrests

Robbery Suspect caught with Accomplice

On July 23, 2003 around 12 noon at 12th and O Street a male suspect knocked down a female and took her purse by force. An initial broadcast went out with a description and a witness chased the suspect on bike. The suspect later pulled a knife on the witness and he ceased following the suspect. After canvassing the area the suspect was spotted with an individual at 1400 Columbia Road in which the suspect had changed clothes and his accomplice was carrying a shopping bag with the suspects described clothes inside. Both suspects were arrested. Excellent work to Officers Rios, Rodriguez, Detective Torres, and Sgt. Perren.

Suspect Caught Minutes After Roll Call

On July 24, 2003 at 3:30 an outdoor roll call was done in the 1600 Block of Riggs PL. At the roll call a lookout was given about a suspect that been in the area and causing problems. Minutes after roll call Officer Flynn radioed that he had two suspects in custody one matching the description of the suspect given at roll call. The lieutenant brought one of the residents who said he would be able to identify the suspect that been in the area. The resident positively identified the suspect. The female suspect was found not to be wanted and later released. The subject was wanted for three counts of a stay away order and was arrested. Excellent work to Officer Flynn.